

Lifting Lambs to the Shepherd

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Young Adult of the Week ~ Rianne Van Meeteren continues her studies and clinicals at Mitchell (MN) Tech. You may place notes to her in Keven & Robin's church mailbox.

Prayerfully consider "**Celebrating Western**" with a year-end gift. Funds raised will be given to the General Fund for capital improvements. Thank You to those who have already contributed to the mission of WCHS!

BARGAIN ALLEY FURNITURE OUTLET is in need of volunteers to collect and deliver furniture and mattresses. You do not need to come to the store, just be available to help in your town as needed. Please call 712-439-6802 or 712-441-1270 if interested or have any questions.

Conquering Cancer 4 O'Brien County's Christmas bake sale will be held on Saturday, December 6, at the Sheldon Hy-Vee starting at 9:00. Donations of baked goods are always welcome.

GEMS invite you to join them at a **Christmas Banquet** at the Museum, on Monday, December 8. All women and girls are invited to attend this night of food, games, and singing. Punch 5:45 - Devotions 6:15 p.m. followed by meal, games, program. Ticket/meal price is \$10

**The Gospel is neither a
Discussion nor a Debate
It is an Announcement**

We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. The ALS system is available for those with hearing impairments.

WORSHIP NOTES

Our worship services are on Church's website sanborncrc.com and the YouTube link <http://youtube.com/@sanborncrc/live>

Rhonda Nelson will Reaffirm her Faith to become a member of our church during our morning service today.

Emily Ver Hulst representing Zuni will speak next Sunday evening

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Congregational Meeting is tomorrow - Monday, December 1 at 7 p.m.

Next Sunday's PM Offering changed to Northern Lighthouse—Auto Garage

Women's Bible Study will meet this Tuesday, December 2 at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Westra will lead us in Lesson 6 – "*Why Christians Obey God*".

Sunday Night Bible Study will meet next Sunday at 6:15 PM to continue the Video Series study of Lee Strobel – A Case for Christ – Lesson 3. Gerrit & Carol will lead lesson & Rhonda Nelson provide lunch.

The "**Giving Tree**" has a two-fold purpose . . .

~ Christmas gifts for Love, INC. Contributions can be put in the **brown envelopes** from the tree. Put them in the gift box under the tree. Deadline is TODAY.

~ UDMQ - Green tags have gift ideas from several needy families. Purchase gift listed, wrap them and place green tag on outside of pkg. Deadline – Tuesday, December 16. **Evangelism Committee**

Sanborn Christian's Christmas program will be held in our church this Friday, December 5 at 7 pm. There will be a rehearsal at 2 pm, which you may attend if you don't wish to travel at night.

Program practice – NO Sunday School or Catechism — Dec. 7 & 14
Church Christmas program - Sunday, December 14 at 5 p.m.
Sunday School & Catechism classes – Sunday, December 21
Joint Worship at Sheldon 1st CRC – Sunday, December 21 at 5 p.m.
NO Sunday School/Catechism – **Prairie View 2 pm worship**
Sunday, December 28

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sanborn Christian - Positions open

~**Janitor/custodian position** effective immediately. This is a part-time position (25-30 hours per week); salaried position. Call Lee Vellema

~ For the 2026 - 2027 school year:

- **6th Grade Homeroom / Junior High Teacher** - full time; salaried

- **Athletic Director** - **part-time**; stipend available

- **Bus Drivers** - Sanborn Christian is looking for Bus Drivers to drive daily routes; part-time; paid per trip for 26.27 school year. Call Cody Stange.

~ There is still room and time to **donate to Sanborn Christian's**

NICSTO program! Details in the November "School Bell".

Please contact Jeremy Van Ess. Thank you for considering!

CONTACT the board member mentioned or Mr. Minderhoud at sanchr@sanbornchristian.com or 712.729.3288 for applications or more detailed information.

The **Dordt University Wind Symphony and Campus Band** will present a Christmas Concert on Dec. 5 at 7pm in the BJ Haan Auditorium. We hope everyone will join us to celebrate our Savior's birth as we ring in this festive season of hope and celebration.

Christmas at Dordt: The Word Became Flesh

Celebrate the mystery and majesty of the birth of Christ with beautiful choral and orchestral music on Saturday Dec. 6 at 7:00 pm in the BJ Haan Auditorium! Music will be performed by the 250+ student musicians of the Dordt choirs and Chamber Orchestra separately and together, from the stage and around the auditorium; dramatic readings by Laurel Koerner and Jason Vande Brake; and opportunities for the audience to join in singing. The concert and a PDF program will also be available on

Advent at Home: O Come, O Come, Immanuel - God promises to be with us in every moment—when we're sad, happy, or waiting for better days—and that gives us hope. Go to **kidscorner.net**

Waiting for the Light of the World - Advent is a season of waiting. We're waiting for Jesus, the Light of the World. Gain a fuller understanding of what we're waiting for as we begin to prepare our hearts for the arrival of Jesus at his birth at Christmas. Go to **GroundworkOnline.com**

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ Nov. 30 – Dec. 6
(Sanborn) Terry & Lori Bootsma (Sheldon) Phil & Michelle Westra

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY - November 30

PPoint: Amber Stange, Craig Solsma

Video: Karter Van Meeteren

Audio: Bob Oldenkamp

Doors: Ben Reitsma

Valet Parking: Chet Vander Velde

Nursery: Pat & Kinley Sybesma

Greeters: Larry & Karen Bosma

Shane Davis, Scott Horstman

CIW: Tonya W, Lindsey K, Chloe R

Accom: AM & PM Starla Reitsma

Offering: AM Budget, Bldg. Proj. Fund

PM Resonate Global Missions

Hospitality: Tyler & Anna Van Ess

Bob & Linda Oldenkamp

Larry & Kyle Hofman

Next Week – December 7

Brent Koldenhoven

Jeri Prins

Stefan Sybesma

Brian Koldenhoven

Aaron Alons

Lindsey & Brayden K

Pam De Groot/Casey Baker

Jeromy & Paige De Kok

Jessica & Anna S, Judy V

AM Jamie C PM Joy VW

AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)

PM N. Lighthouse- Auto Gar.

Marlin & Linda V. Velde

Carol Elgersma

Brandi Wright

Shane Davis

10:50 – 11:40 a.m. Catechism and Sunday School classes

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Monday 7:00 p.m. Congregational Meeting
Elders meeting to follow

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Lesson 6

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Cadets – Christmas Caroling – meet at URC

Friday 2 and 7 p.m. SCS Christmas Program in our church

NEW on Literature table: Zuni prayer newsletter

(Zuni November newsletter sent via e-mail)

Ribbens' newsletter (also sent via e-mail)

MERF newsletter

THE LORD'S DAY – November 30, 2025
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ HOPE
Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: Starla Reitsma

Welcome and Announcements

Advent Reading and Prayer: **HOPE**

*Song: "**Glory in the Highest**"

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Song: "**Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus**" Red 56

IN HIS GRACE

Call to Repentance: *Jeremiah 4: 1 - 2*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: *Jeremiah 24: 6 - 7*

*Song: "**Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me**"

Rhonda Nelson's Reaffirmation of Faith

*Song: "**I Love to Tell the Story**" Red 262

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd – **Building Projects Fund**

Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**

Children in Worship for 3 – 6 yr olds ~ Lesson 18

"Advent II- Mary & Joseph"

IN HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Reading: **Galatians 6: 1 - 5** (p 1020)

Message: "**Bear One Another's Burdens**"

Prayer of Application

*Song: "**Angels from the Realms of Glory**" Red 81 vs 1, 2, 3, 5

IN HIS SERVICE

*Parting Blessing

*Doxology: "**Go Now in Peace**"

*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY – November 30, 2025
EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE

Prelude: Starla Reitsma

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship: *I Corinthians 3: 10 - 11*

*Opening Prayer

*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Songs: "**The Birthday of a King**" PB 5

"**It Came Upon a Midnight Clear**" PB 10

*Profession of Faith: Nicene Creed

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Reading: **Mark 8: 1 – 10** (p 879)

Meditation: "**Miraculous Feasting**"

Prayer of Application

*Song: "**Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer**" Red 43

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Sharing Prayer Requests

Prayer of Intercession

Offering: **Resonate Global Missions**

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Parting Blessing

*Doxology: "**He Is Lord**" Red 227 vs 1

*Postlude

*stand if you are able

Sermon Notes for November 30, 2025 AM Service
"Bear One Another's Burdens"
Galatians 6:1–5

Introduction: The Puzzle of vs. 2 & 5

A. The Burdens We _____

B. Important Truths

1. _____ Accountability

2. _____ Responsibility

C. How do we lighten someone's load?

1. Listening Hearts:

2. Tangible Help:

3. Crisis Response:

4. Development:

Sermon Notes for November 30, 2025 PM Service
"Miraculous Feasting"
Mark 8:1–10

Introduction: Déjà Vu

A. Compare and Contrast with Mark 6:30–44

1. Differences:

2. Similarities:

B. The Miracle of Multiplication

C. Applications for Today

1. Kingdom Investments:

2. Asset-Based Counseling: